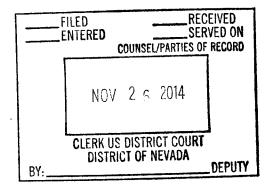
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IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEVADA

FRANCISCO JOSE MERCHAN ROCHA,

Plaintiff,

T: 702-476-2400 / F: 702-473-2333

VS.

VERONICA MOLANO FLOREZ, AKA, VERONICA GABRIELLE,

Defendant.

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MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY OF RECORD

COMES NOW Christopher P. Ford, Esq., and Matthew H. Friedman, Esq. of the firm Ford & Friedman, and pursuant to the Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct ("NRPC") 1.16 hereby move to withdraw as counsel of record for Defendant Veronica Gabrielle (hereinafter "Ms. Gabrielle"). This motion is made on the points and authorities as well as the declaration of Christopher P. Ford, Esq. below.

Declaration of Christopher P. Ford, Esq. In Support of Motion to Withdraw as Attorney

of Record

I Christopher P. Ford, Esq. attest under penalty of perjury that:

1. My name is Christopher P. Ford, I am a member in good standing of the State Bar of Nevada.

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- 2. I have personal knowledge of the facts contained in this affidavit, save those stated upon information and belief, and as to those matter, I believe them to be true.
- 3. Ford & Friedman was retained to represent Ms. Gabrielle on January 17, 2014.
- 4. On September 22, 2014 my office received an email from Ms. Gabrielle with an attached letter/discharge of counsel. In this attached letter Ms. Gabrielle made it very clear that she had decided to discharge myself and my office as her counsel in this matter and that she no longer wished for us to represent her or her interests as of the date and time of the letter.
- 5. The last known contact information for Ms. Gabrielle is:

Veronica Gabrielle 9143 W. Torino Ave. Las Vegas, Nevada 89148 702-366-3561 702-857-0644

6. For the foregoing reasons, the undersigned requests an Order of Withdrawal I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

This 23rd day of September, 2014.

/s/ Christopher P. Ford Christopher P. Ford, Esq.

POINTS AND AUTHORITIES

STATEMENT OF FACTS I.

As set forth above, Ms. Gabrielle retained Christopher P. Ford, Esq. and the firm of Ford & Friedman to represent her and act as attorney of record in the above referenced matter. Although Mr. Ford was willing and able to represent Ms. Gabrielle, Ms. Gabrielle discharged Mr. Ford, requesting specifically that no further legal work be done on her behalf. Ms.

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1 Gabrielle's letter made clear that she was certain about her decision to discharge Mr. Ford. 2 The Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct read, in relevant part that: 3 (a) where representation has commenced, shall withdraw from the representation of a 4 client if: 5 (3) The lawyer is discharged. See Nevada Rules of Professional Conduct at 1.16(a)(3). As the client in this matter has clearly 6 7 discharged the law firm of Ford & Friedman, and attorneys Christopher P. Ford, Esq. and 8 Matthew H. Friedman, Esq., good cause exists to grant the instant Motion to Withdrawal as Counsel of Record. 9 10 II. **CONCLUSION** 11 Based upon the foregoing, Christopher P. Ford, Esq. and Matthew H. Friedman, Esq., of the law firm Ford & Friedman request that the Court enter an order approving their respective 12 13 withdrawal as attorneys for Defendant Veronica Gabrielle. 14 **DATED** this <u>23rd</u> day of September, 2014. 15 FORD & FRIEDMAN 16 /s/ Christopher P. Ford 17 Christopher P. Ford, Esq. Nevada State Bar No. 11570 18 Matthew H. Friedman, Esq. Nevada State Bar No. 11571 19 2520 St. Rose Parkway, Suite 309 Henderson, Nevada 89074 20 ITAS SO ORDERED: 21 UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE 22 23 DATED: 11/26/14 24 3

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Case 2:14-cv-00051-RCJ-VCF Document 56 Filed 11/26/14 Page 4 of 4 Case 2:14-cv-00051-RCJ-VCF Document 42 Filed 09/23/14 Page 4 of 4 1 **PROOF OF SERVICE** 2 I hereby certify that on this 23rd day of September 2014, a true copy of the forgoing 3 document described as "MOTION TO WITHDRAW AS COUNSEL OF RECORD", was 4 filed via the Court's CM/ECF system and served via transmission of the Notice of Electronic 5 Filing (NEF), to all interested parties as follows: 6 Emily Mcfarling Benson, Esq. eservice@mcfarlinglaw.com 7 Attorney for Plaintiff 8 9 And served via U.S. Mail, postage prepaid thereon, as follows: 10 Veronica Gabrielle 9143 W. Torino Avenue 11 Las Vegas, Nevada 89148 12 13 14 /s/ Kelly Wulf 15 An employee of FORD & FRIEDMAN 16 17 18 4840-4473-2446, v. 1 19 20 21 22 23 24